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Vice Admiral E. T. Wooldridge, USN  
Commandant, The National War College  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Admiral Wooldridge:

I have just had occasion to review the qualifications of twelve officers of this Agency who have been nominated by my deputies as candidates for the next course of instruction at the National War College. It is apparent that there is increasing recognition throughout the Agency of the great value to be derived from participation in the College program, and the candidates put forward this year possess unusually high qualifications. We have selected six of these twelve candidates as principals or as alternates, and their nominations will be forwarded to you in the usual manner in due course. In the meantime, for your information, I am enclosing brief biographic data on each.

The increasing sponsorship within the Agency of outstandingly qualified candidates leads me to question whether our usual quota of three spaces can be considered adequate in the future. Therefore, I have requested the Joint Chiefs of Staff to reconsider the quota available to this Agency, and to increase it to five for next year. If this request should come to your attention, I trust that you will support our case.

Sincerely,

Signed

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

Enclosures

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